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DEVELOPMENT OF NEW VARIETIES OF CROPS .
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) Whether the Indian Agricultural Research Institute has developed some new varieties cash crop seeds recently;

(b) If so, the details thereof;

(c) The names of the States where these new seeds have been/proposed to be used; and

(d) The results likely to be achieved therefrom?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTILAL BHURIA)

(a) & (b): Indian Agricultural Research Institute, New Delhi has developed a cotton genotype Pusa-2 (Pusa GH 17-52-10). It is an early maturing strain which was evaluated in West Bengal

(Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Nimpith, Sunderbans) during 2004 and recorded seed cotton yield (1.5 t/ha). It has shown good fiber quality with 27-28 mm fiber length and 20 g/tex fiber strength.

(c) & (d): This genotype has been proposed for identification in the state of West Bengal. Further popularization of this genotype will depend on its release, notification as per procedure.